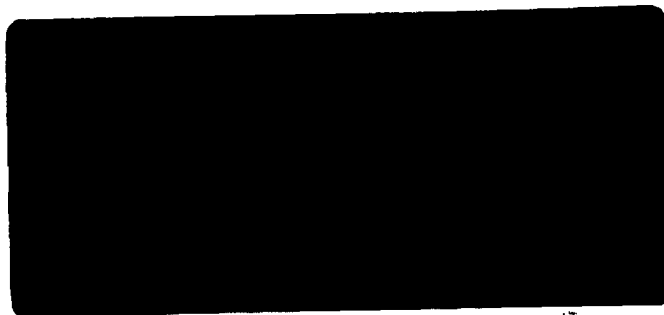


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I INTRODUCTION

The program described herein was devised primarily to provide acquisition data to a ground based instrumentation net consisting mainly of various types of cameras. The cameras, in this case, are employed to photograph a flashing strobe light that is mounted on each pole of the ANNA geodetic satellite that is magnetically stabilized along its spin axis.

Provisions have been made to compute a satellite ephemeris by a differential correction procedure as the satellite is stepped around the orbit in some desired increment of time.

It is assumed that the density distribution of the Earth is axially symmetric and that the force field is represented by the principle term and the zonal terms 2 through 4. Provision is also made for accommodating the parameters of a model atmosphere. At each step computations are made to determine:

- 1) If a given observing site is in darkness (elevation angle to the Sun less than some desired ϵ).
- 2) If the elevation angle from the observing site to the satellite is positive or greater than some desired ϵ' .
- 3) The components of the magnetic field (North, East, vertical, horizontal and total field) and the dip and declination.
- 4) Which strobe, if either, is visible to an observing site.
- 5) If the recorded image size on the photographic plate will be larger than some ϵ'' .

If the above conditions are satisfied, the program continues and computes the following additional information for each observing site:

- 1) Time of the observation.
- 2) The azimuth and range and the topocentric hour angle and declination to the satellite.
- 3) The latitude and longitude of the sub-satellite point.

- 4) The angle between the observer-satellite vector and the observer-moon vector.
- 5) If the satellite is illuminated by the Sun.
- 6) The angle between the observer-satellite vector and the center of the light cone.

Other features of the program are:

- 1) The selection of the most valuable observations for a station to make from series of possible observations. This is achieved by considering the azimuths at which the station has previously recorded data. On this basis, a final selection of flash times and the associated "look angles" from each site is made.
- 2) The preparation of teletype messages (see Appendix 1).
- 3) The capability to compute acquisition data for observers not concerned with the light (range or range-rate stations).
- 4) A station designated as a "share station" will not have flashes scheduled specifically for it. However, acquisition data will be computed for any scheduled flashes that may be observed by the "share station."

II EPHEMERIS

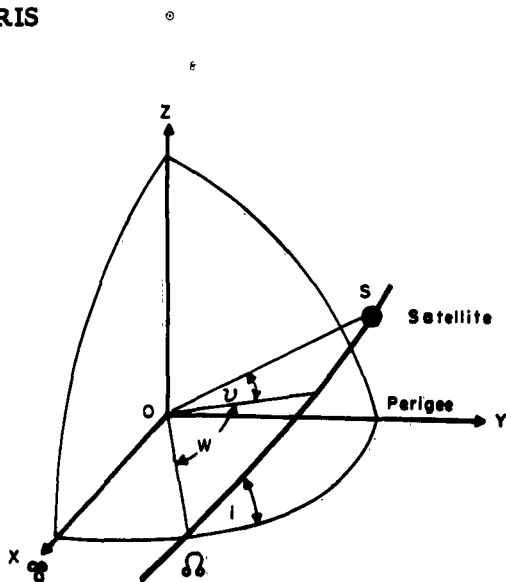


Figure 1

The standard elements (Figure 1)

- a = semi major axis
- e = eccentricity
- i = inclination
- Ω = right ascension of the ascending node
- ω = argument of perigee
- M = mean anomaly
- ν = true anomaly
- $u = \omega + \nu$, the argument of latitude

are used in the computation of the ephemeris. Time is considered the independent variable and, as the satellite is stepped around the orbit, computations are made to determine the perturbative effects of the Earth's oblateness and drag on the satellite's position.

The radial, transverse, and normal perturbative accelerations (see Figure 2) due to oblateness are:

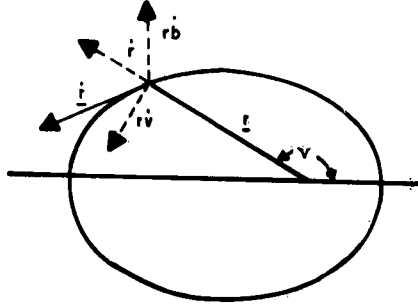


Figure 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{r}_B' &= -\frac{\mu}{r^2} \left\{ \frac{J}{r^2} \left[1 - \frac{3}{2} \sin^2 i (1 - \cos 2u) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{4H}{5r^3} \sin i \left[3(1 - \frac{5}{4} \sin^2 i) \sin u + \frac{5}{4} \sin^2 i \sin 3u \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{K}{r^4} \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 - 5 \sin^2 i + \frac{35}{8} \sin^4 i) + \frac{5}{2} \cos 2u \sin^2 i (1 - \frac{7}{6} \sin^2 i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{35}{48} \cos 4u \sin^4 i \right] \right\} \\
 r\dot{v}_B' &= \frac{\mu}{r^2} \left\{ -\frac{J}{r^2} \sin^2 i \sin 2u + \frac{3H}{5r^3} \sin i \left[(1 - \frac{5}{4} \sin^2 i) \cos u + \frac{5}{4} \sin^2 i \cos 3u \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{K}{r^4} \sin^2 i \left[\sin 2u (1 - \frac{7}{6} \sin^2 i) + \frac{7}{12} \sin^2 i \sin 4u \right] \right\} \\
 r\dot{b}_B' &= \frac{\mu}{r^2} \left\{ -\frac{2J}{r^2} \sin i \cos i \sin u + \frac{3H}{5r^3} \cos i \left[1 - \frac{5}{2} \sin^2 i (1 - \cos 2u) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{K}{r^4} \sin i \cos i \left[2 \sin u (1 - \frac{7}{4} \sin^2 i) + \frac{7}{6} \sin^2 i \sin 3u \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

The radial, transverse and normal perturbative accelerations due to drag are:

$$\dot{r}_D' = \frac{A}{m} \rho a e V \sin E \dot{E}$$

where:

$$\dot{E} = \frac{n}{1 - e \cos E}$$

ρ = air density

$$r \dot{v}_D' = - \frac{A}{m} \rho a (1 - e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} V \left[1 - d (1 - e \cos E)^2 / (1 - e^2) \right] \dot{E}$$

$$r \dot{b}_D' = - \frac{A}{m} \rho a \omega_s \left(\frac{1 - e \cos E}{n} \right)^2$$

where:

$$V = \left(\frac{\mu}{a} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1 + e \cos E}{1 - e \cos E} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[1 - d \left(\frac{1 - e \cos E}{1 + e \cos E} \right) \right]$$

$$d = \left(\frac{\omega_s}{n} \right) (1 - e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos i$$

ω_s = rotational rate of the Earth

Expressions for the perturbative effect on the elements.

$$\dot{a}' = - \frac{2}{3} a \frac{n'}{n}$$

$$\frac{n'}{n} = - \frac{3}{1 - e^2} \left[\frac{\dot{r}}{\sqrt{\mu p}} e p \sin v + \frac{r \dot{v}}{\sqrt{\mu p}} \frac{p^2}{r} \right]$$

where

$$p = a(1 - e^2)$$

$$e' = \frac{r \dot{r}}{\sqrt{\mu p}} \left(\frac{p}{r} \sin v \right) + \frac{r^2 \dot{v}}{\sqrt{\mu p}} \left[\left(\frac{p}{r} + 1 \right) \cos v + e \right]$$

$$i' = \frac{r^2 \dot{b}}{\sqrt{\mu p}} \cos u$$

$$\Omega' = \frac{r^2 \dot{b}}{\sqrt{\mu} p} \frac{\sin u}{\sin i}$$

$$\omega' = u' - v'$$

$$u' = -\Omega' \cos i$$

$$v' = \frac{1}{e} \left[\frac{r \dot{r}}{\sqrt{\mu} p} \left(\frac{p}{r} \cos v \right) - \frac{r^2 \dot{v}}{\sqrt{\mu} p} \left(\frac{p}{r} + 1 \right) \sin v \right]$$

$$E' = \left(1 - e^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (u' - \omega') - \frac{a' e}{2a} \sin E - \frac{\dot{r}' r \dot{v}'}{\sqrt{\mu} a}$$

$$\text{Perigee height, } h_{\pi} = a(1 - e) - R e_{\pi}$$

$$\text{Radial distance, } r = a(1 - e \cos E)$$

The difference between the height of the satellite above the Earth (h'') at any time and the height of the satellite above the Earth at perigee (h_{π})

$$h'' - h_{\pi} = (R e_{\pi} - R e_{h''}) + a e [1 - \cos E]$$

The air density, $\rho = \rho_{\pi} e^{-Kdh}$

where

$$K = \frac{1}{h} = \frac{1}{\text{scale height}}$$

$$\rho_{\pi} = \text{air density at perigee}$$

The total perturbative effect of bulge and drag on the elements at any time

$$a = a' + (a_D + a_B) dt$$

$$e = e' + (e_D + e_B) dt$$

$$i = i' + (i_D + i_B) dt$$

$$\Omega = \Omega' + (\Omega_D + \Omega_B) dt$$

$$\omega = \omega' + (\omega_D + \omega_B) dt$$

$$E = E' + (\dot{E} + E_D + E_B)dt$$

$$u = u' + (\dot{u} + u_D + u_B)dt$$

where:

$$\dot{E} = \frac{n}{1 - e \cos E}$$

$$\dot{u} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - e^2}}{1 - e \cos E} \dot{E}$$

Dots denote the two body changes.

Primes denote the value at the previous step.

III ACQUISITION DATA

At each step values of a , e , i , Ω , u and v are computed after which the program enters the "acquisition data" phase. The computations for this phase break into two groups: those which are made only once and those which are made once for each observation station.

When a coordinate system is not specified in what follows, an "Earth-fixed" system is to be assumed, i.e., \underline{i} and \underline{j} in the equatorial plane with \underline{i} pointed toward Greenwich, $\underline{k} = \underline{i} \times \underline{j}$.

Group 1: Computations made only once

1) Compute λ_n = west longitude of node.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \theta_G &= \text{right ascension of Greenwich.} \\ &= \theta_{Go} + (t - t_o) \dot{\theta}_1 + (t - t_o) \dot{\theta}_2 \\ &\quad \text{days} \quad \text{fract} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } \lambda_n = \theta_G - \Omega \quad -\pi < \lambda_n \leq \pi$$

2) Compute λ_s , west longitude of sub-satellite point.

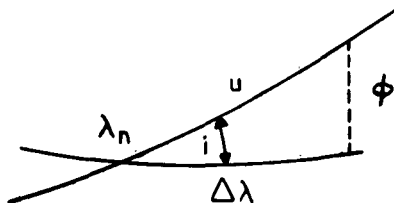


Figure 3

$$\Delta\lambda = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos i}{\cot u} \right)$$

$$\lambda_s = \lambda_n - \Delta\lambda \quad -\pi < \lambda_s \leq \pi$$

3) Compute ϕ_s , the geodetic latitude of sub-satellite point.

δ = declination of satellite

$$\tan \delta = \frac{\sin i \sin u}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u}}$$

$$\tan \phi_s = -\frac{1}{1 - \tilde{e}^2} \tan \delta; \quad \tilde{e}^2, \text{ spheroid eccentricity} = .0067686579$$

$$\phi_s = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{1 - \tilde{e}^2} \right) \tan \delta \right\}$$

4) Compute r , distance from center of Earth to satellite.

$$r = a(1 - e \cos E)$$

Group 2: Computations made for each station at each time step

5) Elevation angle to the Sun

$$\bullet \quad \text{Elev} = \sin^{-1} [\sin \phi \sin \delta_{\odot} + \cos \phi \cos \delta_{\odot} \cos \beta]$$

where ϕ = observers latitude

δ_{\odot} = declination of the Sun

β = LST - α_{\odot}

LST = local sidereal time

α_{\odot} = right ascension of the Sun

where

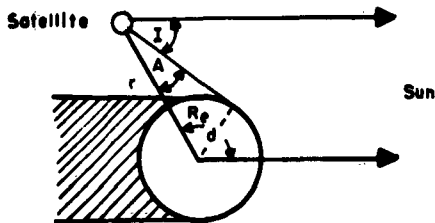
$$a) \quad \alpha_{\odot} = \ell_{\odot} - C_{16} \sin 2\ell_{\odot}; \quad \delta_{\odot} = C_{17} \sin \alpha_{\odot}$$

$$b) \quad L_{\odot} = \text{longitude of Sun at } t_0 \text{ (Jan 0.0 of year of interest)}$$

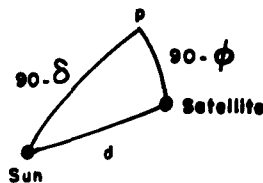
$$c) \quad \ell_{\odot} = L_{\odot} + C_2 (t - t_0) + C_{15} \sin (C_2 [t - t_0] - C_{14})$$

$$d) \quad \phi_{\odot} = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{e}^2} \delta_{\odot} \right\}; \quad \lambda_{\odot} = \theta_G - \alpha_{\odot}$$

6) If the satellite is illuminated by the Sun, the angle I must be positive (Figure 4a).



$$I = 180 - d - A$$



$$A = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{Re}{r} \right)$$

$$d = \cos^{-1} (\sin \phi_{\odot} \sin \phi_{\bullet} + \cos \phi_{\odot} \cos \phi_{\bullet} \cos \beta)$$

where: \bullet denotes satellite

$$\beta = |RA_{\odot} - RA_{\bullet}|$$

- 7) Magnetic dip and declination are computed by evaluating the gradient of the magnetic potential at altitude (details in Appendix II) to obtain the x, y and z components of the magnetic field. These quantities permit the computation of (Figure 5).

- Horizontal component of Earth's magnetic field (H)
- Total field vector (F)
- Vertical component of Earth's magnetic field (V)
- Horizontal component of Earth's magnetic field (H)
- Total field vector (F)

$$\text{Magnetic dip, } \alpha_m = \cos^{-1} \left[\frac{H}{F} \right]$$

$$\text{Magnetic declination, } \delta_m = \cos^{-1} \left[\frac{Z}{H} \right], \text{ plus Easterly}$$

- 8) The light angle, θ , (Figure 6) is the angle between the station-satellite vector and a unit vector in the direction of the center of the light cone. Orientation of \hat{S} , a unit vector in direction of the North axis of the light cone as a function of its latitude (ϕ), longitude (λ), magnetic dip (α_m) and magnetic declination (δ_m), is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S} = & \underline{i} \left\{ \cos \alpha_m \sin \delta_m \sin \lambda - \cos \lambda [\cos \delta_m \cos \alpha_m \sin \phi + \sin \alpha_m \cos \phi] \right\} \\ & + \underline{j} \left\{ \cos \alpha_m \sin \delta_m \cos \lambda + \sin \lambda [\cos \delta_m \cos \alpha_m \sin \phi + \sin \alpha_m \cos \phi] \right\} \\ & + \underline{k} \left\{ \cos \delta_m \cos \alpha_m + \sin \alpha_m \sin \phi \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\underline{ST} \cdot \hat{S}}{|\underline{ST}|} \right\}$$

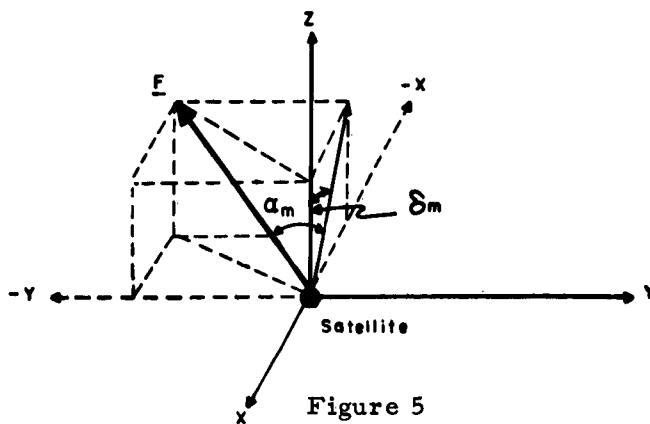


Figure 5

A vector from the center of the Earth to the satellite, \underline{OS} , is

$$\underline{OS} = r \left[(\cos \phi_s \cos \lambda_E) \underline{i} + (\cos \phi_s \sin \lambda_E) \underline{j} + \sin \phi_s \underline{k} \right]$$

$$\underline{OT} = (R_e + h) \left[(\cos \phi_T \cos \lambda_{E_T}) \underline{i} + (\cos \phi_T \sin \lambda_{E_T}) \underline{j} + \sin \phi_T \underline{k} \right]$$

$$\underline{OS} - \underline{OT} = \underline{TS}$$

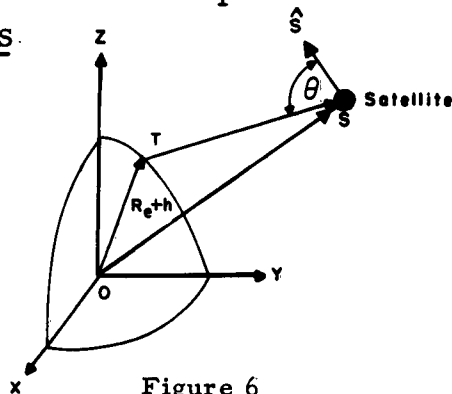


Figure 6

8) Elevation angle to the satellite

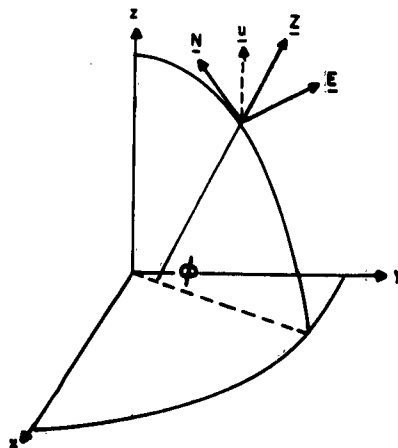


Figure 7

Define a unit vector \underline{Z} normal to the spheroid at the observer (Figure 7)

$$\underline{Z} = \cos \phi \cos \lambda \underline{E} \underline{i} + \cos \phi \sin \lambda \underline{E} \underline{j} + \sin \phi \underline{k}$$

A vector \underline{N} , in the meridian and pointing North

$$\underline{N} = -\sin \phi \cos \lambda \underline{E} \underline{i} + \sin \phi \sin \lambda \underline{E} \underline{j} + \cos \phi \underline{k}$$

$$\underline{E} = \underline{N} \times \underline{Z}$$

\underline{u} is a unit vector from the station to the satellite

$$\underline{u} = \frac{\underline{TS}}{|\underline{TS}|} \quad (\text{see Figure 6})$$

$$\text{Elev Angle} = \sin^{-1} (\underline{Z} \cdot \underline{u})$$

10) Azimuth from the station to the satellite

$$\text{Azimuth} = \cos^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\underline{Z} \times \underline{u}}{|\underline{Z} \times \underline{u}|} \cdot (-\underline{E}) \right\}$$

11) Topocentric hour angle and declination.

\underline{L} , a unit vector from the station to the satellite in inertial coordinates is

$$\underline{L} = x \underline{i} + y \underline{j} + z \underline{k}$$

$$\text{Declination} = \sin^{-1}(z)$$

$$\text{Right ascension} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)$$

$$\text{Hour angle} = \text{LST} - \text{RA}$$

Some camera stations require the hour angle and declination of each flash. Since the ephemeris is stepped in time by an amount not equal to the time interval between flashes, but by a multiple of the interval between flash sequences, the time derivatives of x , y , and z are computed and multiplied by the time between flash intervals to obtain the new coordinates of each flash. With these new coordinates, the right ascension and declination are then computed as noted above.

The time derivatives are

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \dot{r} [1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u]^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos \lambda + \\ & r [(-\sin i \cos i \sin^2 u \dot{i} + \sin^2 i \sin u \cos u \dot{u}) / (1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos \lambda] + \\ & r [(1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin \lambda / (\cos^2 u \cos^2 i \sin^2 u) (\cos i \dot{u} - \\ & \sin i \sin u \cos u \dot{i}) + \dot{\Omega} - \omega_s] \\ \dot{y} &= -\dot{r} [1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin \lambda - \\ & r [-\sin i \cos i \sin^2 u \dot{i} + \sin^2 i \sin u \cos u \dot{u}) / (1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin \lambda] + \\ & r [(1 - \sin^2 i \sin^2 u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos \lambda / (\cos^2 u \cos^2 i \sin^2 u) (\cos i \dot{u} - \sin i \sin u \cos u \dot{i}) + \\ & \dot{\Omega} - \omega_s] \\ \dot{z} &= \dot{r} \sin i \sin u + r \cos i \sin u \dot{i} + r \sin i \cos u \dot{u}\end{aligned}$$

12) Image size of the flash

$$\text{Image diameter (in microns)} = a_1 q + a_2 q^2 + a_3 q^3$$

where a_1 , a_2 , a_3 are functions of the plate emulsion. For 103F emulsion developed 8 minutes $a_1 = 7.468$, $a_2 = -0.112237$, $a_3 = .0008352$

$$q = \left(\frac{D}{s} \right) (TB)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-0.46 \Delta m / \sinh}$$

D = aperture of camera

s = distance from satellite to observer = $|\underline{TS}|$

T = transmission of lens

$B = 9000$ if $\theta \leq 45^\circ$

$150(105 - \theta_i)$ if $\theta > 45^\circ$

Δm = atmospheric extinction at the zenith for the station; when an actual measurable value is unavailable, $\Delta m = 1.25$ (the factor for moderate haze).

h = elevation angle

- 13) Right ascension, α_m , and declination, δ_m , of the moon are obtained from a lunar ephemeris listed in memory. α_m and δ_m are given for 0 hours U. T. of each day of the year. A six point interpolation yields the desired quantities at any time, t . For purposes of this program the vector from the center of the Earth to the Moon is taken as being the same as the vector from the observer to the Moon. The angle between the station-satellite vector and the station-moon vector, \underline{TM} , is:

$$\text{Moon Angle} = \cos^{-1} \left(\underline{TS} \cdot \underline{TM} \right)$$

Moon Phase, P_m , is determined from

$$P_m = R.A._m - R.A._\odot$$

$$\text{if } P_m = 0^\circ \pm 45^\circ, \text{ Phase new}$$

$$P_m = 180^\circ \pm 45^\circ, \text{ Phase full}$$

Otherwise, Phase quarter

- 14) Observation Selection. From a series of possible observations, one observation (the least valuable one) is discarded. If a station has made n good observations at azimuths $A_1, A_2, A_3 \dots A_n$ and it is now possible to make an observation at azimuth B , a "value" is assigned to azimuth B in the following fashion:

$$\text{form } \bar{A} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n A_i$$

and

$$p = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i - \bar{A})^2$$

take as the "value" of the observation

$$V(B) = e^{-p \sin^2 \left(\frac{\bar{A} - B}{2} \right)}$$

Note that $0 \leq V(B) \leq 1$, that $V(B)$ is zero if $\bar{A} \approx B$, and that it also is small if p is large (that is, there is a large "scatter" in the azimuths already observed). The values n , p , and \bar{A} are "updated" as additional good observations are made.

INPUT AND OUTPUT FORMATS

A. For Determining Acquisition Data and Selecting Observations

The OGP program uses logical tapes 8 and 11 for input. Logical tapes 9, 10, 12 and 14 are used as intermediate binary tapes.

The acquisition data and selected observations are available as printed output on logical tape 5 with data select zero. With data select 4 the teletype messages to APL, NASA and the 1381st Geodetic Survey Squadron are punched from tape 5. (Teletype messages are also available as printed output on logical tape 6 with data select zero). Control cards necessary for this computation are input cards 1 through 6 (Table I) and four station cards for each observing site involved (Table II). Note that in the preparation of station cards (Table II) a station may be designated as a "Share Station."

B. For Ephemeris Computation Only

If so desired, the ephemeris portion only is available in the form of latitude, longitude and time. In this instance the first six control cards must be followed by four blank cards.

TABLE I
INPUT FORMAT - ELEMENT CARDS

| <u>Card No.</u> | <u>Card Column</u> | <u>Format</u> | <u>Contents</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|--|
| 1 | 1-6 | I2A6 | Year, month, day of this run |
| | 7-72 | | Job heading |
| 2 | 1-12 | F12.9 | EPOCHT (days and decimals of day) |
| | 13-16 | I4 | IYEAR (year of epoch) |
| | 17-22 | F6.3 | CONANG (1/2 light angle in deg.) |
| | 23-28 | F6.3 | SUNTST (Test for sun elev. in deg.) |
| | 35-40 | F6.3 | DELTA E (ΔE in deg.) |
| | 42-56 | F15.15 | QJ2 (J_2) |
| | 57-71 | F15.15 | QJ3 (J_3) |
| 3 | 1-10 | F10.6 | WO (ω_0 in deg.) |
| | 12-21 | F10.6 | RAO (Ω_0 in deg.) |
| | 23-32 | F10.5 | AXIS (semi-major axis in nautical miles) |
| | 34-43 | F10.9 | ECCNO (eccentricity) |
| | 45-54 | F10.8 | XINC (inclination in degrees) |
| | 56-61 | F6.3 | QMASS (mass of satellite in kilograms) |
| | 63-72 | F10.4 | AREA (cross sectional area of satellite in square centimeters) |
| 4 | 1-5 | I5 | NSTA (the number of stations to be considered) |
| | 6-10 | I5 | NREV (number of revolutions to be considered for this run) |
| | 15-25 | F11.7 | DM1 (M_0 the initial mean anomaly in degrees) |
| 5 | 1-10 | I10 | IRM (the maximum number of flash sequences to be allowed per revolution) |
| | 11-20 | I10 | ILM (the maximum number of flash sequences to be allowed per load) |
| | 23-34 | F12.9 | GDT (integer by which the interval between clock pulses is multiplied to determine time interval at which acquisition date is computed; the elements are integrated at one half this interval) |

| | | |
|-------|--------|---|
| 40-49 | I10 | INF (initial number of flash sequences executed to date) |
| 50-59 | I10 | INFL (initial number of injections executed to date) |
| 60-71 | F12. 9 | TIMP (epoch of an even flash time) |
| 72 | I1 | • Blank if refined projections - "one" if long range (an identifier for message to NASA) |
| 1-12 | F12. 9 | DDTT (time in seconds between flashes in a sequence) |
| 13-24 | F12. 9 | TSTOP (stop time in days) |
| 25-28 | F4. 1 | Minimum angle between station-satellite vector and station new moon vector in degrees |
| 29-32 | F4. 1 | Minimum angle between station-satellite vector and station quarter moon vector in degrees |
| 33-36 | F4. 1 | • Minimum angle between station-satellite vector and station full moon vector in degrees |
| 39-50 | F12. 9 | ELTIM (time in days at which acquisition data computations begin) |
| 53-57 | F5. 2 | Minimum image size in microns |
| 60 | I1 | Blank for acquisition data; 1 for ephemeris computation only |

TABLE II
STATION CARDS

| Card No. | Card Column | Format | Contents |
|----------|-------------|---------|--|
| 1 | 1-24 | 4A6 | Station number and name (number in col. 1-4 with leading zeros) |
| | 25-34 | F10. 5 | XLAT (station latitude in degrees) |
| | 35-44 | F10. 5 | XLONG (Station west longitude in degrees) |
| | 45-54 | F10. 2 | HEIGHT (height of station above MSL in feet) |
| | 70 | I1 | "1" if this is MOTS station |
| | 72 | I1 | "1" if this is camera station |
| | | | "2" if this is range station |
| 2 | | | "3" if this is range rate station |
| | 1 | I1 | "1" if this station can only share flashes |
| | 11-20 | F10. 7 | DIAM (camera aperture in mm) |
| | 21-30 | F10. 7 | TRANS (lens transmission factor) |
| | 31-40 | F10. 7 | QM (atmospheric extinction at observer zenith) |
| | 41-50 | F10. 7 | A1 |
| | 51-60 | F10. 7 | A2 |
| 3 | 61-70 | F10. 7 | A3 |
| | 1-15 | F15. 10 | C (Average azimuth of all flashes observed from station) |
| | 16-30 | F15. 10 | D (Weight factor for selecting observations) |
| 4 | | | Lowest elevation angle (degrees) attainable as a function of azimuth |
| | 1-3 | (I3) | Elevation Angle 0°-20° Azm (0°N) |
| | 4-6 | (I3) | " " 20-40 |
| | 7-9 | (I3) | " " 40-60 |
| | 10-12 | (I3) | " " 60-80 |
| | 13-15 | (I3) | " " 80-100 |
| | 16-18 | (I3) | " " 100-120 |
| | 19-21 | (I3) | " " 120-140 |

| | | | | |
|-------|------|------------------|--------------|---------|
| 22-24 | (I3) | Elevation | Angle | 140-160 |
| 25-27 | (I3) | " | " | 160-180 |
| 28-30 | (I3) | " | " | 180-200 |
| 31-33 | (I3) | " | " | 200-220 |
| 34-36 | (I3) | " | " | 220-240 |
| 37-39 | (I3) | " | " | 240-260 |
| 40-42 | (I3) | " | " | 260-280 |
| 43-45 | (I3) | " | " | 280-300 |
| 46-48 | (I3) | " | " | 300-320 |
| 49-51 | (I3) | " | " | 320-340 |
| 52-54 | (I3) | " | " | 340-0 |

GLOSSARY OF SYMBOLS USED

| | |
|------------------|--|
| A | Cross sectional area of satellite in square centimeters |
| C_{14} | (longitude of perigee of sun-longitude of sun at January 0.0 for year of interest) |
| C_{15} | e (eccentricity of earth's orbit) |
| C_{16} | \tan^2 (mean obliquity of ecliptic/2) |
| C_{17} | \tan (mean obliquity of ecliptic) |
| J | 1623×10^{-6} |
| H | -6×10^{-6} |
| K | 9×10^{-6} |
| l_{\odot} | longitude of sun at any time |
| m | mass of satellite in kilograms |
| n | Mean motion of satellite $(GM)^{1/2}/a^{3/2}$ |
| Re_{π} | radius of earth at perigee |
| $Re_{h''}$ | radius of earth at sub-satellite position |
| V | Satellite velocity |
| $\dot{\theta}_1$ | $0^{\circ}.98564724$ |
| $\dot{\theta}_2$ | $360^{\circ}.98564724$ |
| μ | GM |
| ϕ_s | Satellite latitude |
| λ_E | East longitude |

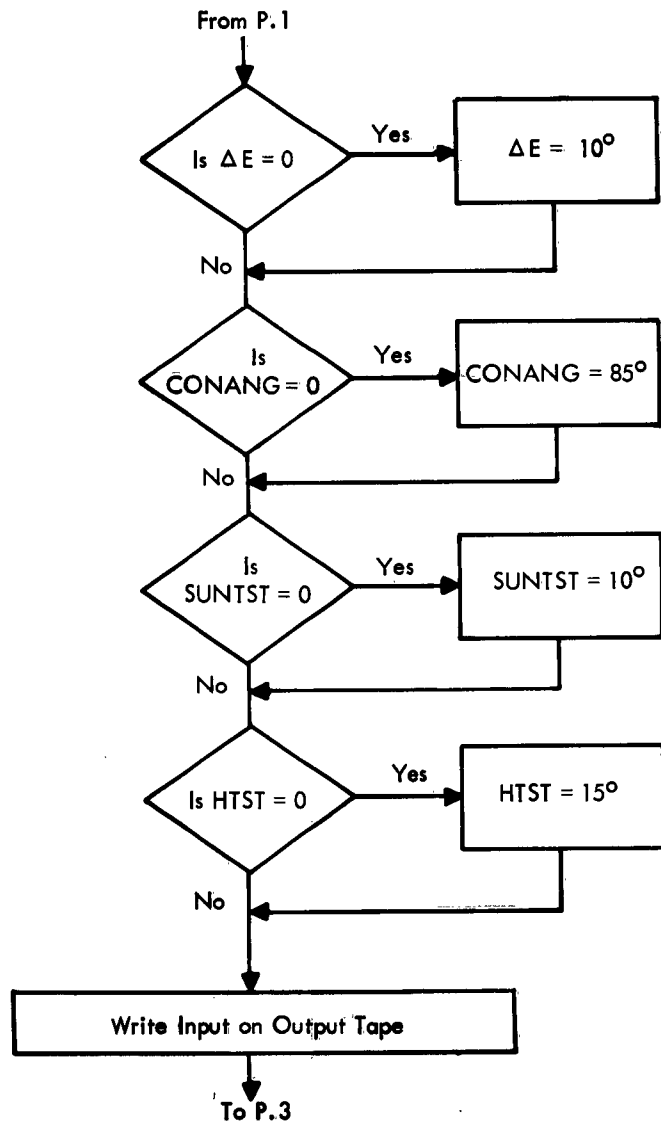
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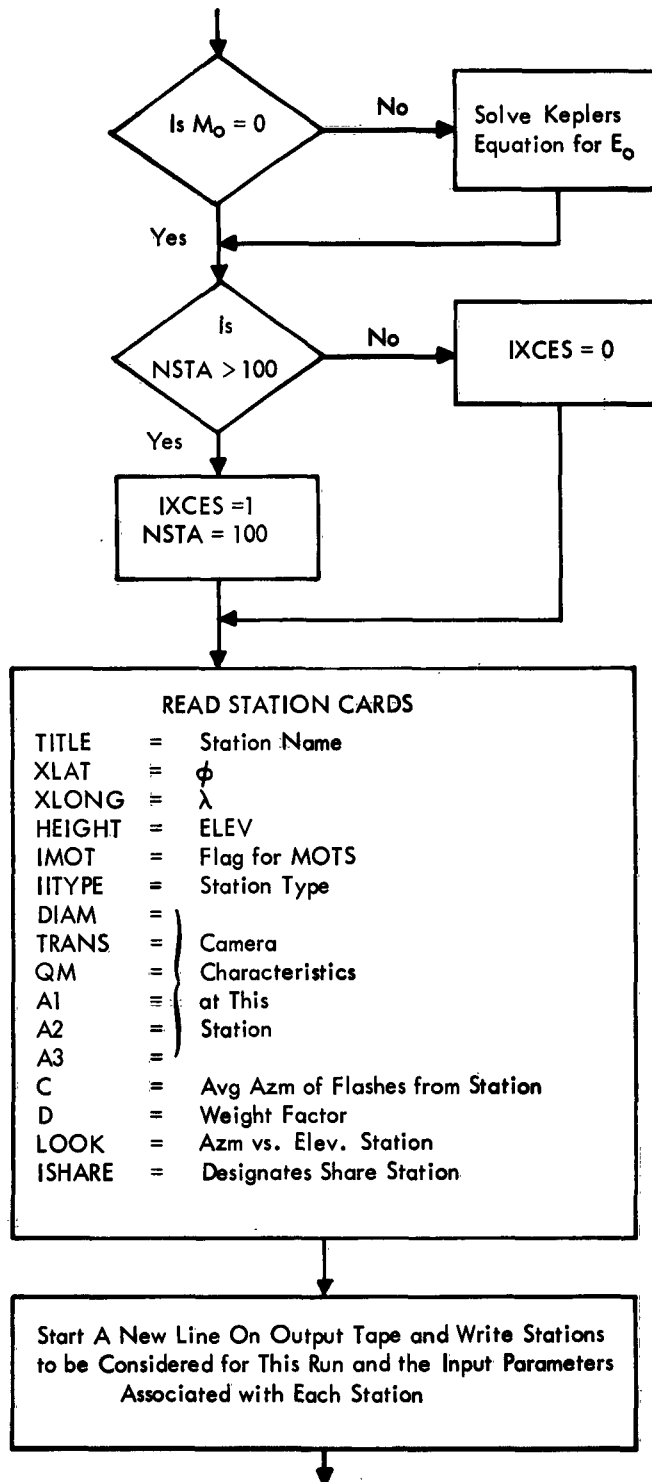
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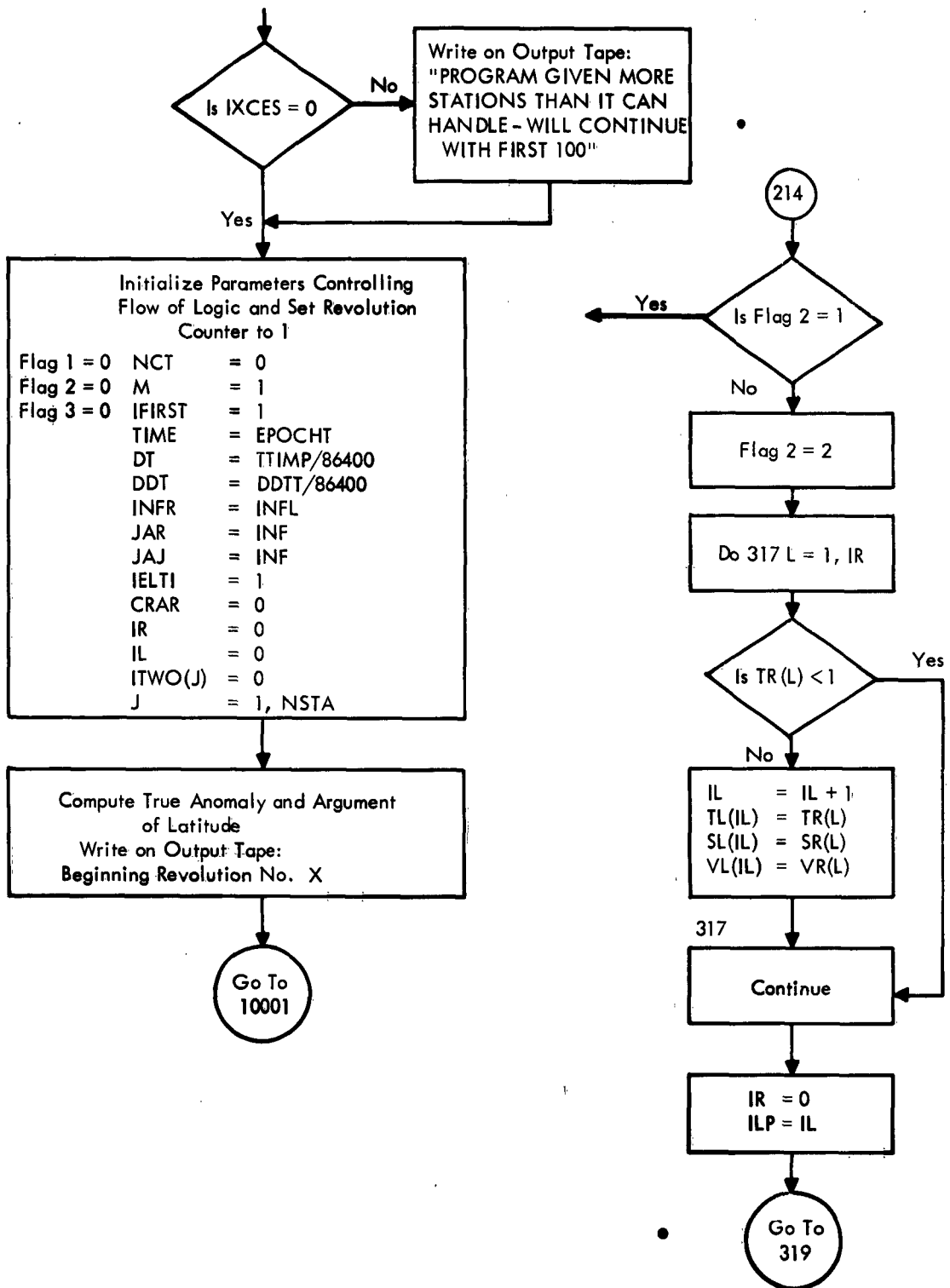
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|---------|---|--|
| EPOCHT | = | Epoch of Elements in Days |
| IYEAR | = | Year of Epoch |
| CONANG | = | 1/2 Cone Angle of Strobe Light |
| SUNTST | = | Maximum Sun Elevation Angle |
| DELTA E | = | ΔE |
| QJ2 | = | J2 |
| QJ3 | = | J3 |
| WO | = | ω_0 |
| RAO | = | Ω_0 |
| AXIS | = | a_0 |
| ECCNO | = | e_0 |
| XINC | = | i_0 |
| QMASS | = | Mass of Satellite |
| AREA | = | Area of Satellite |
| NSTA | = | No. of Stations |
| NREV | = | No. of Revolutions to be Considered |
| DM1 | = | M_0 |
| IRM | = | Max. No. of Flashes/Rev. |
| ILM | = | Max. No. of Flashes/Load |
| INFL | = | Initial No. of Flash Loads |
| TIMP | = | Epoch of an Even Clock Pulse |
| IP | = | Flag to Define Long Range or Refined Predictions |
| DDTT | = | Time Between Clock Pulses |
| TSTOP | = | Final Epoch |
| QLU1 | = | Min. Angle Between Satellite & New Moon |
| QLU2 | = | Min. Angle Between Satellite & Qtr. Moon |
| Q | = | Min. Angle Between Satellite & Full Moon |
| ELTIM | = | Time Look Angles Start |
| QIMSZ | = | Min. Image Size |

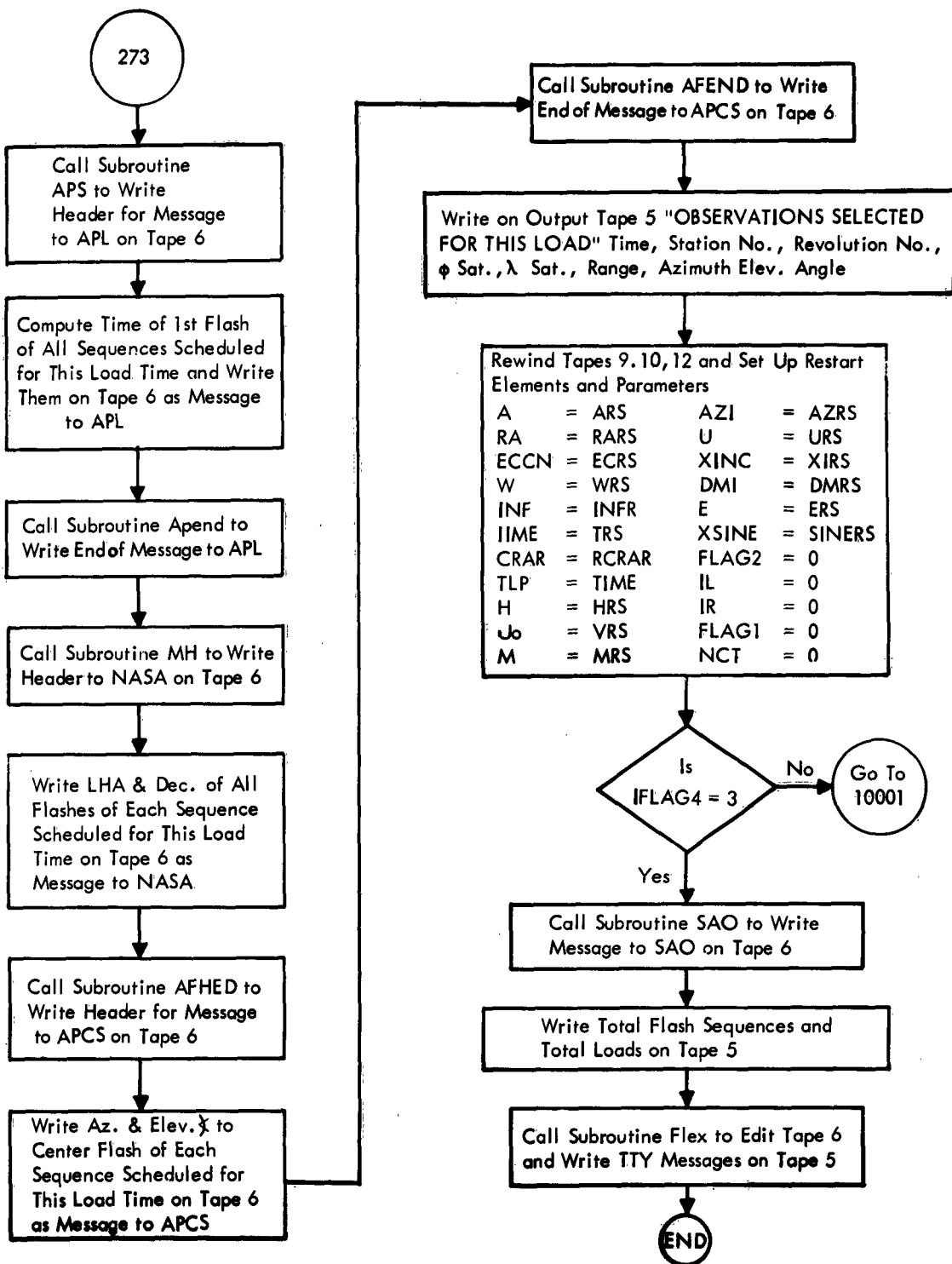
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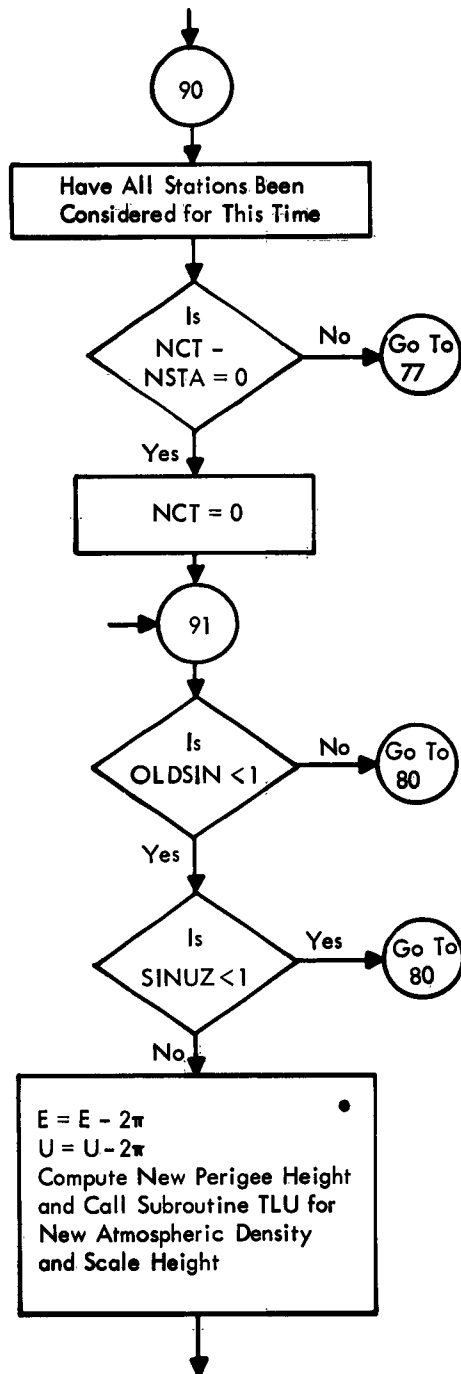
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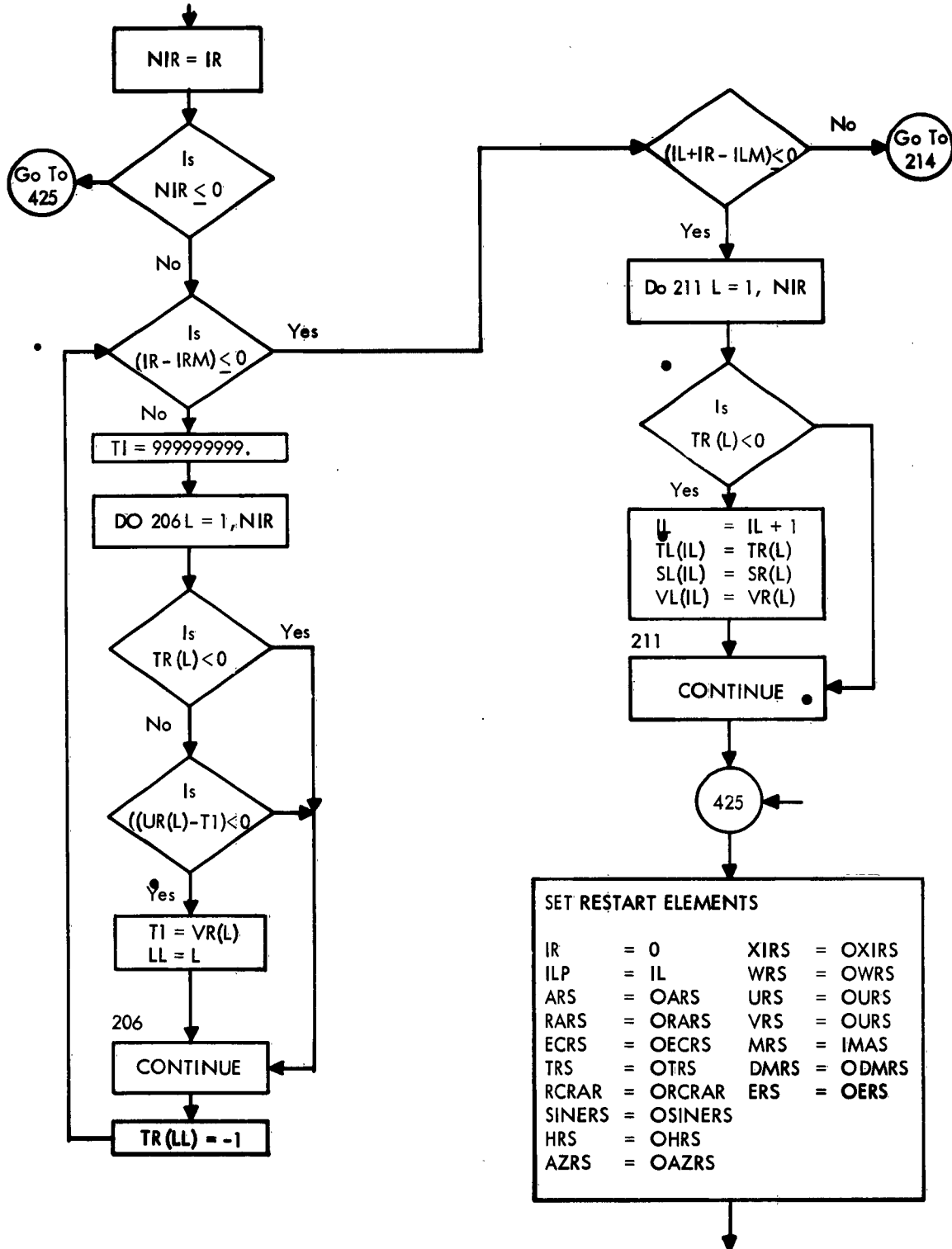


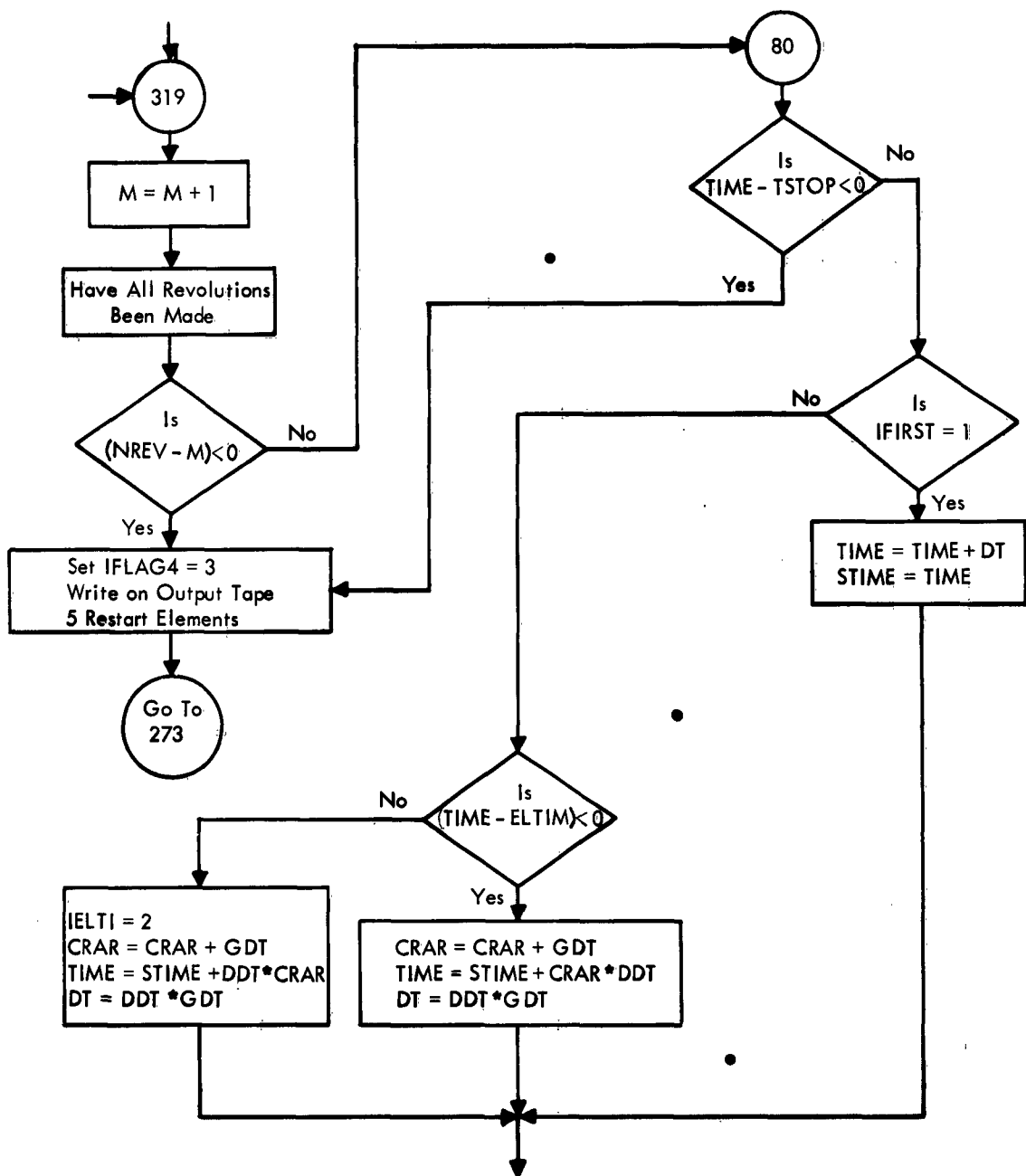


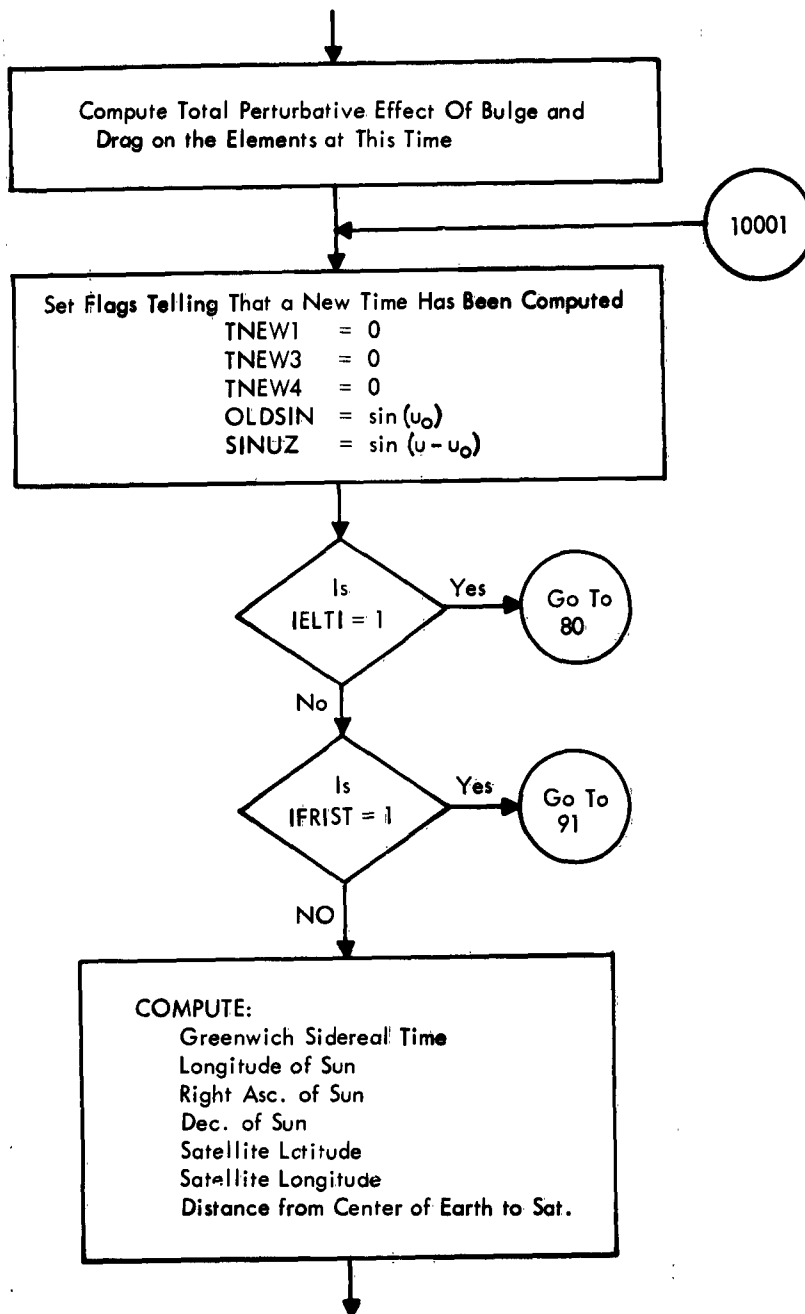


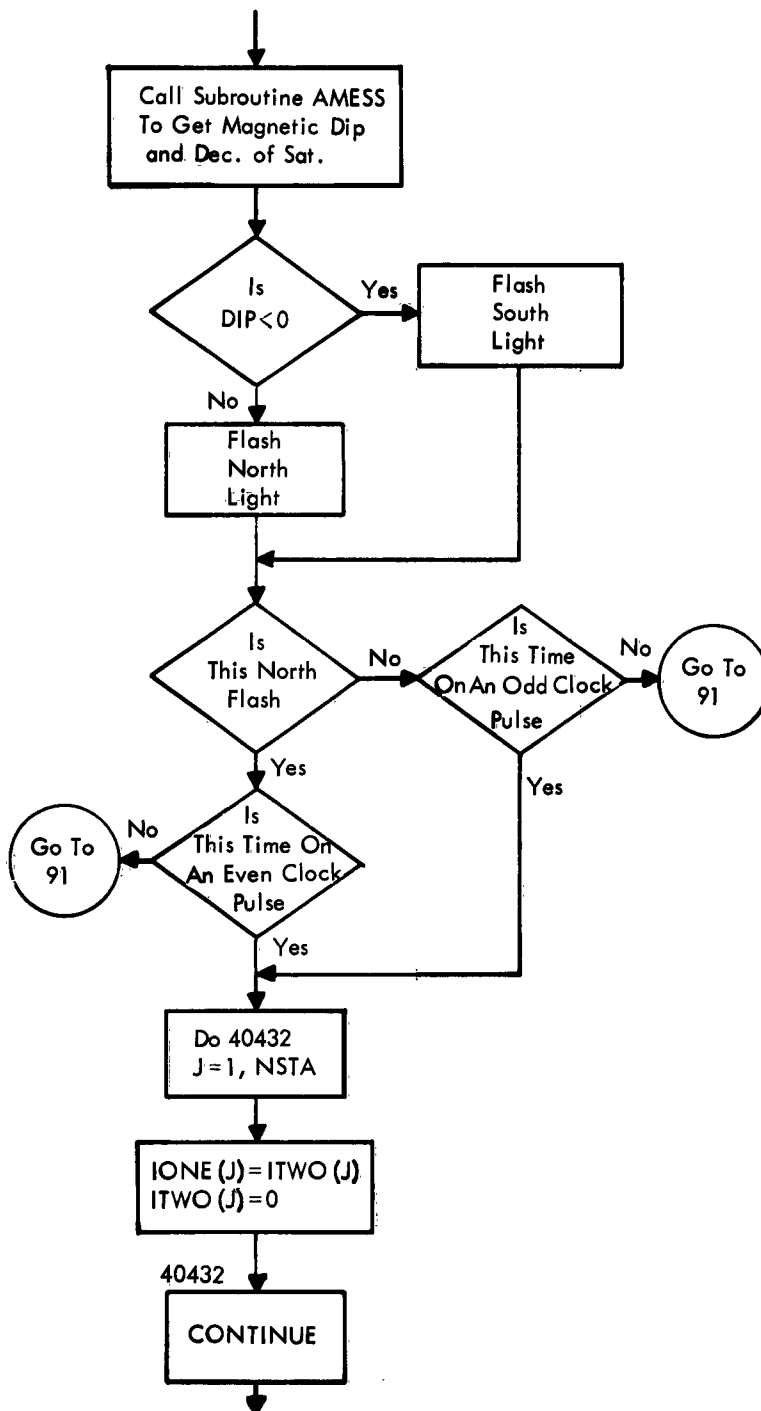


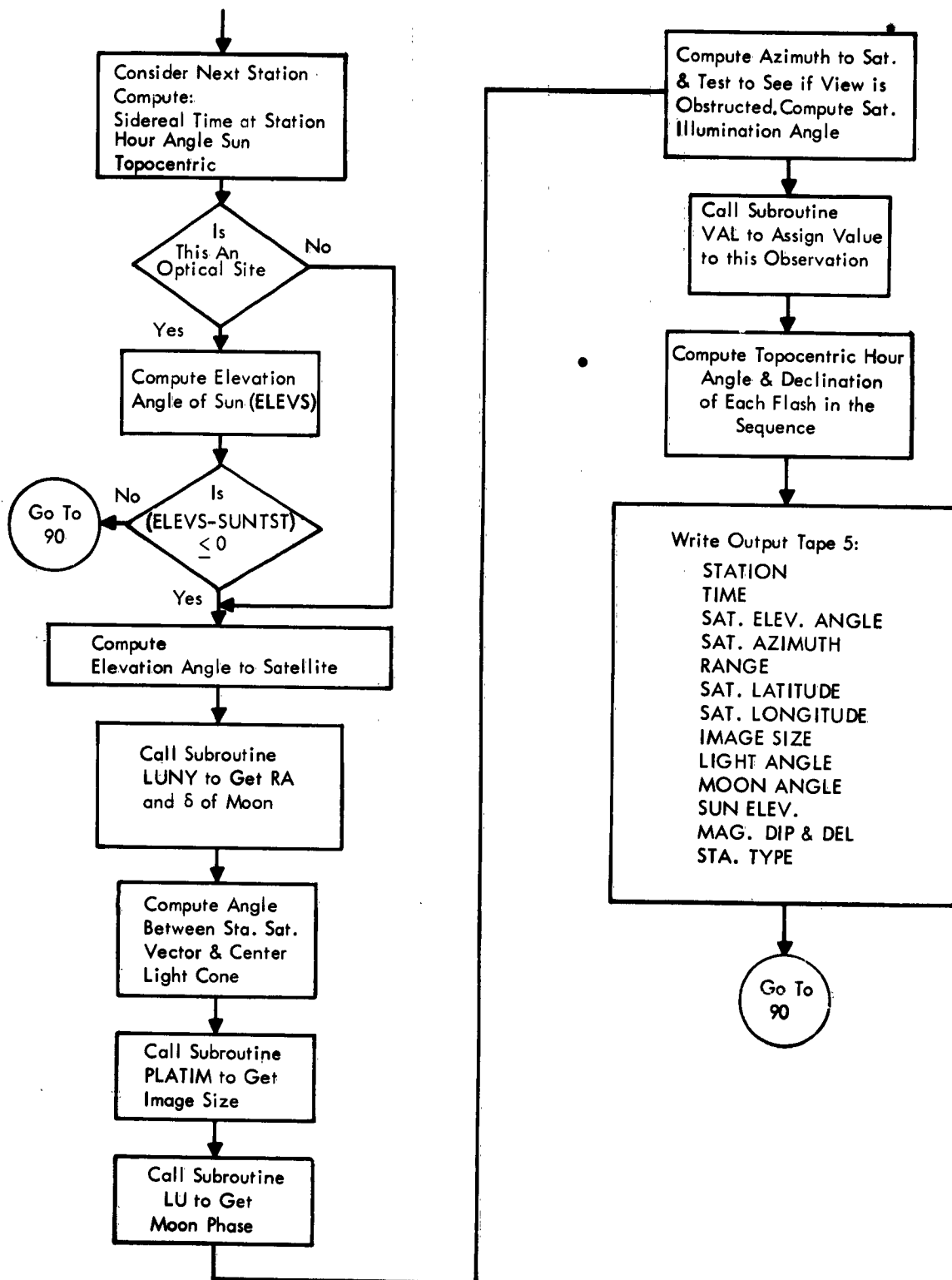












APPENDIX I

Three teletype messages are prepared directly from magnetic tape.

Number One is to the Applied Physics Laboratory in Silver Springs, Maryland. It contains the following information:

1. Day number since January 0
2. Year number since 1900
3. Number of last injection into satellite memory + 1
4. The proper light to flash at any scheduled time
5. Time of the first flash in each sequence in milliseconds.

The format of the message is as follows:

ANNA IB OPTICAL --- $\underbrace{\text{XXX}}_a$ --- $\underbrace{\text{XX}}_b$ - $\underbrace{\text{XXXXXX}}_c$

$\underbrace{\text{XXXXXXXXXXXX}}_d$ $\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_e$

where a - days

b - year

c - injection number

•The times given are in milliseconds from 0 hours of the day noted in the message.

A zero in d denotes a North flash and a 1 denotes a South flash.

Number Two is to NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland. Contents and format are as follows:

$\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_f$ $\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_g$ $\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_b$
 XXXXX / XXXXXX AFCRL X2 PREDICTIONS

$\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_i$ / $\underbrace{\text{XXXXXX}}_j$ / $\underbrace{\text{XXX}}_k$ / $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_l$ $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_m$ $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_n$ $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_o$ $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_p$ $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_q$ $\underbrace{\text{XXXX}}_r$

where

f = satellite identification number
g = year, day and month
h = type of look angle (R for refined, P for long range)
i = station number
j = sequence number this day
k = day number since Jan. 0
l = $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{hour} \\ \text{time of day} \end{array} \right\}$
m = $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{min} \\ \text{seconds to nearest } 1/10 \text{ second} \end{array} \right\}$
n = $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{seconds to nearest } 1/10 \text{ second} \end{array} \right\}$
o = sign of Local Hour Angle (1 indicates negative, 0 indicates positive)
p = Local Hour Angle to nearest 1/10 degree
q = sign of declination (1 indicates negative, 0 indicates positive)
r = declination to nearest 1/10 degree

Number Three is to the 1381st Missile Survey Squadron, Orlando,
Florida. Contents and format as follows:

| STA. NO. | DAY | HR | MIN | SEC | PASS NO. | SEQ. NO. | AZ(0°N) | ELEV (day) |
|----------|-----|----|-----|--------|----------|----------|---------|------------|
| XXXX | XXX | XX | XX | XX.XXX | XXXXXX | XXXXXX | XXX.XX | XXX.XX |

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APPENDIX II

Geomagnetic Field Calculations For a 5 Degree Polynomial

If one assumes that the earth's magnetic field at the point r, θ , and λ (radial distance, co-latitude, and east longitude) arises from purely internal sources, then the components of the field (X, Y, Z) are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= \sum_{n=1}^n \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{d}{d\theta} P_n^m \left[g_n^m \cos m\phi + h_n^m \sin m\phi \right] \left(\frac{R_e}{r} \right)^{n+2} \\
 Y &= -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left[\sum_{n=1}^n \sum_{m=0}^n P_n^m \left[-m g_n^m \sin m\phi + m h_n^m \cos m\phi \right] \left(\frac{R_e}{r} \right)^{n+2} \right] \\
 Z &= \sum_{n=1}^n \sum_{m=0}^n P_n^m \left[-(n+1) g_n^m \cos m\phi - (n+1) h_n^m \sin m\phi \right] \left(\frac{R_e}{r} \right)^{n+2}
 \end{aligned}$$

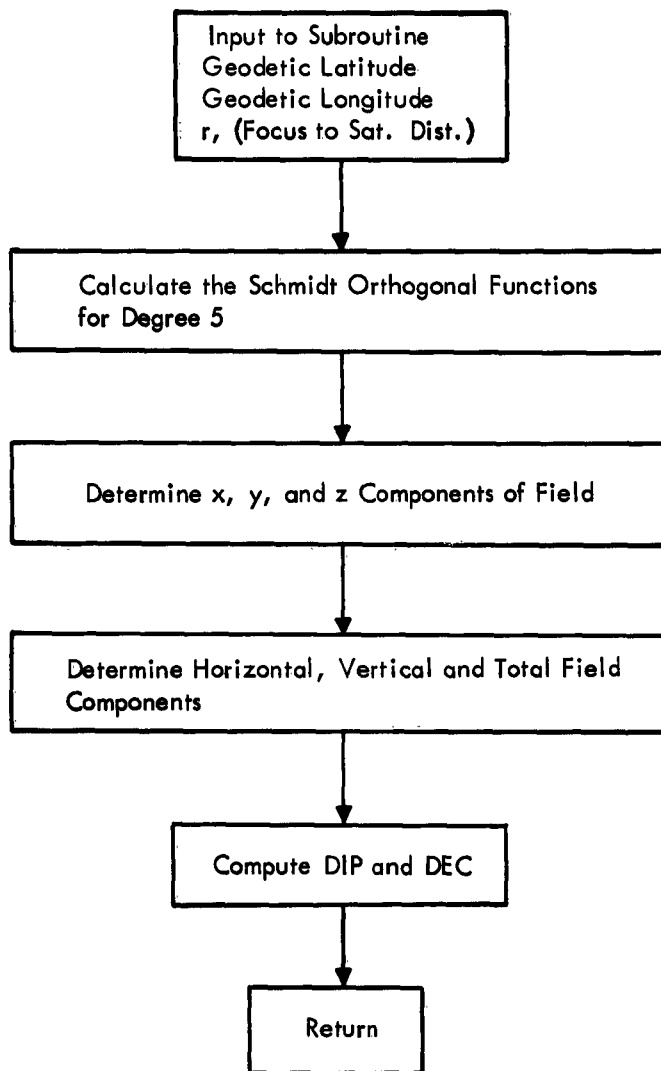
where P_n^m are the Schmidt orthogonal functions (using the associated Legendre functions; see Chapman and Bartels, Geomagnetism - Vol. II; pages 606-615); and g_n^m and h_n^m are the Schmidt coefficients of the geomagnetic field; R_e is the earth's radius in kilometers.

The total magnetic field, F, is then given by:

$$F = (X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2)^{1/2}$$

where F is calculated in gauss. To convert to gamma, the relationship 1 gauss = 10^5 gamma is used.

Flow Chart for Geomagnetic Field Computations



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